

House Resolution 1496

By: Representative Jasperse of the 11th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Dr. Kim Coder; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Kim Coder has long been respected by his peers and colleagues for his
3 dedication to urban forestry and arboriculture education as well as his service to the
4 University of Georgia (UGA) and the broader community; and

5 WHEREAS, during his distinguished tenure, he has held such prestigious roles as assistant
6 professor at the UGA-CAES Department of Extension Forest Resources, associate and full
7 professor at the UGA Warnell School as an outreach tree specialist and community forester,
8 and the University Hill Fellow for distinguished public service and outreach; and

9 WHEREAS, in his years as a specialist, Dr. Coder has trained hundreds of county extension
10 agents in urban forest health innovations, construction damage mitigation, proper pruning
11 techniques, and the latest in tree biology research; and

12 WHEREAS, Dr. Coder's booming voice and enthusiasm for all things with trunks, bark, and
13 crowns of glorious leaves have awakened a passion for urban forestry among countless
14 individuals over the years; and

15 WHEREAS, innumerable citizens of Georgia, UGA extension agents, extension master
16 gardener volunteers, master naturalists, and UGA students have benefitted from Dr. Coder's
17 world-renowned expertise in arboriculture and urban forestry; and

18 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
19 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Coder has served with honor and distinction, and his vision and unyielding
21 commitment to environmental excellence will be sorely missed upon the occasion of his
22 retirement; and

23 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
24 remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
26 the members of this body commend Dr. Kim Coder for his decades of efficient, effective, and
27 dedicated service; congratulate him upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and express
28 their most sincere best wishes for continued success.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
30 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Dr.
31 Kim Coder.